

HAVING BEEN IN THE IMMEDIATE VICINITY WHEN THE INCIDENT OCCURRED.

(4) BASED ON INFORMATION OBTAINED AND MATERIAL EVIDENCE RECOVERED FROM THE CRASH SITE ASSOCIATED WITH CASE 1046 DURING THE 20TH JOINT FIELD ACTIVITY, RECOMMEND THE CRASH SITE BE EXCAVATED BY A JOINT RECOVERY TEAM.

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JOINT TASK FORCE - FULL ACCOUNTING
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===== BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION =====

REFNO: 1053-0-02 (ACCNO 6167)
Name: KRAVITZ, JAMES STEPHEN

Status: (K) REMAINS RECOVERED
Date Status assigned: 1 Dec 1993

Nationality	AMERICAN	Race	CAUCASIAN	Blood Chit	DATA
Service	NAVY	Sex	MALE	Blood type	O +
Grade	02	Hair	BROWN	Complexion	RUDDY
SSAN		Eyes	BROWN	Weapon	#
Serial No	DATA	Height	70 in / 1.78 mtrs	Weapon No	#
Birth date	7 Jun 1941	Weight	157 lb / 71.1 kg	Duty pos	NFO
Home State	CALIFORNIA	Religion	PROTESTANT	PW Camp	\$

===== SITE INFORMATION =====

INCIDENT LOCATION (0)

Site Type: CRASH SITE
UTM: 48QXD016616
Lat/Long: 165013N / 1055714E
Country: LAOS
Military Region: 3
Mission Province: SAVANNAKHET
(formerly): ATTOPEU
Mission District: VILIBOURI
Mission Date: 17 Feb 1968
Mission Category: 2
Local Analysis: Near populated area.

===== JTF-FA ACTIVITY SUMMARY =====

Folders Passed: Jun 92, Jan 89, Oct 88, Aug 88
Surveys: Feb 92
Excavations: May 92, Oct 92, Feb 93
Vessey Case: NO
Case type: CRASH SITE
Survivability: (3) Unknown

===== VEHICLE DATA =====

Vehicle Type: OP2E	Serial: 131486
Crash Type: Enemy action	Engine Type: J34WE-34
Call Sign: LINDY 12	1 Serial: 201941
Year: \$	2 Serial: 201281

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REFNO: 1053-0-03 (ACCNO 6166) Status: (K) REMAINS RECOVERED
Name: WONN, JAMES CHARLES Date Status assigned: 1 Dec 1993

Nationality	AMERICAN	Race	CAUCASIAN	Blood Chit	DATA
Service	NAVY	Sex	MALE	Blood type	B -
Grade	01	Hair	BROWN	Complexion	#
SSAN	DATA	Eyes	GREEN	Weapon	#
Serial No	DATA	Height	72 in /1.83 mtrs	Weapon No	#
Birth date	10 May 1944	Weight	185 lb / 83.8 kg	Duty pos	NAVIGATOR
Home State	PENNSYLVANIA	Religion	CATHOLIC	PW Camp	\$

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REFNO: 1053-0-04 (ACCNO 6165) Status: (K) REMAINS RECOVERED
Name: THURMAN, CURTIS FRANK Date Status assigned: 1 Dec 1993

Nationality	AMERICAN	Race	CAUCASIAN	Blood Chit	DATA
Service	NAVY	Sex	MALE	Blood type	AB+
Grade	03	Hair	BROWN	Complexion	#
SSAN	DATA	Eyes	BROWN	Weapon	#
Serial No	DATA	Height	71 in /1.80 mtrs	Weapon No	#
Birth date	19 May 1941	Weight	134 lb / 60.7 kg	Duty pos	CO-PILOT
Home State	MISSOURI	Religion	PROTESTANT	PW Camp	\$

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===== BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION =====

REFNO: 1053-0-05 (ACCNO 6169) Status: (K) REMAINS RECOVERED
Name: DAWSON, FRANK ARTHUR Date Status assigned: 1 Dec 1993

Nationality	AMERICAN	Race	CAUCASIAN	Blood Chit	DATA
Service	NAVY	Sex	MALE	Blood type	A +
Grade	E3	Hair	BROWN	Complexion	#
SSAN		Eyes	BLUE	Weapon	#
Serial No	DATA	Height	68 in / 1.73 mtrs	Weapon No	#
Birth date	29 Sep 1946	Weight	159 lb / 72.0 kg	Duty pos	2ND MECH
Home State	CALIFORNIA	Religion	PROTESTANT	PW Camp	\$

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===== BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION =====

REFNO: 1053-0-06 (ACCNO 6171) Status: (K) REMAINS RECOVERED
Name: ASHBY, CLAYBURN WILLIS JR. Date Status assigned: 1 Dec 1993

Nationality	AMERICAN	Race	CAUCASIAN	Blood Chit	DATA
Service	NAVY	Sex	MALE	Blood type	B -
Grade	E5	Hair	BLACK	Complexion	#
SSAN		Eyes	BROWN	Weapon	#
Serial No	DATA	Height	66 in / 1.68 mtrs	Weapon No	#
Birth date	16 Nov 1946	Weight	146 lb / 66.1 kg	Duty pos	COPILOT
Home State	KENTUCKY	Religion	PROTESTANT	PW Camp	\$

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REFNO: 1053-0-07 (ACCNO 6168) Status: (K) REMAINS RECOVERED
Name: COONS, CHESTER LEROY Date Status assigned: 1 Dec 1993

Nationality	AMERICAN	Race	CAUCASIAN	Blood Chit	DATA
Service	NAVY	Sex	MALE	Blood type	O #
Grade	E4	Hair	BROWN	Complexion	FAIR
SSAN		Eyes	BLUE	Weapon	#
Serial No	DATA	Height	70 in /1.78 mtrs	Weapon No	#
Birth date	29 Mar 1939	Weight	150 lb / 68.0 kg	Duty pos	PLANE CPT
Home State	NO. DAKOTA	Religion	PROTESTANT	PW Camp	\$

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REFNO: 1053-0-08 (ACCNO 6172) Status: (K) REMAINS RECOVERED
Name: MARTIN, JAMES EDWARD Date Status assigned: 1 Dec 1993

Nationality	AMERICAN	Race	CAUCASIAN	Blood Chit	DATA
Service	NAVY	Sex	MALE	Blood type	A +
Grade	E3	Hair	BROWN	Complexion	FAIR
SSAN		Eyes	BLUE	Weapon	#
Serial No	DATA	Height	72 in /1.83 mtrs	Weapon No	#
Birth date	27 Dec 1942	Weight	178 lb / 80.6 kg	Duty pos	GUNNER
Home State	UTAH	Religion	CATHOLIC	PW Camp	\$

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REFNO: 1053-0-09 (ACCNO 6170) Status: (K) REMAINS RECOVERED
Name: DONATO, PAUL NICHOLAS Date Status assigned: 1 Dec 1993

Nationality	AMERICAN	Race	CAUCASIAN	Blood Chit	DATA
Service	NAVY	Sex	MALE	Blood type	A +
Grade	E6	Hair	RED	Complexion	FAIR
SSAN		Eyes	GREEN	Weapon	#
Serial No	DATA	Height	72 in / 1.83 mtrs	Weapon No	#
Birth date	14 Mar 1940	Weight	200 lb / 90.6 kg	Duty pos	1ST TECH
Home State	MASSACHUSETTS	Religion	CATHOLIC	PW Camp	\$

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===== BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION =====

REFNO: 1053-0-01 (ACCNO 6164) Status: (K) REMAINS RECOVERED
Name: NAME Date Status assigned: 1 Dec 1993

Nationality		Blood Chit	DATA
Service		Blood type	O +
Grade	DATA	Complexion	#
SSAN		Weapon	#
Serial No		Weapon No	#
Birth date		Duty pos	
Home State		PW Camp	\$
	Religion		

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=== CIRCUMSTANCES OF LOSS ===

23 January 1976

ON 17 FEBRUARY 1968, WHILE ENGAGED IN OPERATIONS OVER LAOS, AN OP2E AIRCRAFT, (BUNO #131486, CALL SIGN LINDY 12), WAS FLOWN BY

NAME LT CURTIS F. THURMAN, CO-PILOT, LTJG JAMES C. KRAVITZ, NAVAL FLIGHT OFFICER, ENS JAMES C. WONN, NAVIGATOR, ADJ2 CHESTER L. COONS, PLANE CAPTAIN, ADJAN FRANK A. DAWSON, 2ND MECHANIC, AT1 PAUL N. DONATO, 1ST TECHNICIAN, AO3 CLAYBURN W. ASHBY, ORDNANCE, AND AEAN JAMES E. MARTIN, GUNNER.

AS THE PLANE WAS MAKING A RUN ON THE FIRST TARGET, THE PILOT REPORTED TO THE ESCORTING AIRCRAFT THAT HE HAD SUSTAINED A HIT FROM SMALL ARMS FIRE, BUT INDICATED THAT HE WOULD COMPLETE HIS RUN AND CONTINUE THE MISSION. LINDY 12 LINED UP ON THE SECOND TARGET, AND WHEN ABOUT TWO MINUTES FROM THE TARGET, THE ESCORTING AIRCRAFT INFORMED HIM THAT HIS RIGHT ENGINE WAS ON FIRE. THE CALL WAS ACKNOWLEDGED AND THE RUN AGAINST THE SECOND TARGET WAS ABORTED. THE PILOT PULLED STRAIGHT UP INTO THE OVERCAST, AND A FEW SECONDS AFTER ENTERING THE CLOUDS THE PILOT REPORTED THAT THE AIRCRAFT WAS "PRETTY BEAT UP". THIS WAS THE LAST TRANSMISSION FROM THE SHIP.

THE FORWARD AIR CONTROLLER WITH THE FLIGHT SIGHTED SMOKE ON THE SIDE OF AN 1800 FOOT HILL AND THOUGHT THIS TO BE LINDY 12. THERE WERE TWO BURNED AREAS ON THE HILL, BUT THE MID-POINT IS LOCATED IN THE VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATES XD 030 612. RESCUE HELICOPTERS ARRIVED TO INSPECT THE WRECKAGE FROM THE AIR, AS THE HEAVY UNDERBRUSH AND TERRAIN PREVENTED GROUND INSPECTION. NO SIGN OF SURVIVORS WAS NOTED AND THE POSSIBLE TRACK OF THE AIRCRAFT BEFORE IMPACT WAS REFLOWN BUT WAS UNSUCCESSFUL IN LOCATING ANYONE. NO PARACHUTES WERE SIGHTED NOR WERE ANY BEEPERS HEARD. (REF 1)

DURING THE EXISTENCE OF JCRC, THE HOSTILE THREAT IN THE AREA PRECLUDED ANY VISITS TO OR GROUND INSPECTIONS OF THE SITES INVOLVED IN THIS CASE. THIS INDIVIDUAL'S NAME AND IDENTIFYING DATA WERE TURNED OVER TO THE FOUR-PARTY JOINT MILITARY TEAM WITH A REQUEST FOR ANY INFORMATION AVAILABLE. NO RESPONSE WAS FORTHCOMING. ALL CREWMEN OF THIS AIRCRAFT ARE CURRENTLY CARRIED IN THE STATUS OF DEAD, BODY NOT RECOVERED.

=== SUBSEQUENT INFORMATION ===

4 September 1990

SOURCE PROVIDED A HAND DRAWN COPY OF A GENEVA CONVENTION CARD. THE NAME, DATE OF BIRTH AND PARTIAL SERVICE NUMBER CORRELATE WELL WITH SEAMAN DAWSON. (REF 2)

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=== REFERENCES ===

23 January 1976

REFERENCES: <1> MSG , OBSRON 67 NKP THAI, 170900Z FEB 68. <2> 90-380, JCRC LIAISON BKK, 160729Z JUL 90. <3> JCRC LIAISON 111216Z MAY 88 AND JCRC BP 141930Z APR 88. <4> CJTFFA DET ONE BKK, 270924Z FEB 92. <5> AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE, 181953Z JUNE 92. <6> AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE 200852Z NOV 92. <7> CDR JTF-FA 181952Z JUN 92, AMEMBASSEY VIENTIANE 200852Z NOV 92 AND AMEBASSEY VIENTIANE 190240Z DEC 92. <8> AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE 200852Z NOV 92. <9> AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE 190240Z DEC 92. <10> DETAILED REPORT OF RECOVERY, CASE 1053, 300748Z MAR 93. <11> CJMAO ALEXANDRIA VA 011501Z DEC 93.

=== NEGOTIATION ACTIONS ===

16 June 1988

A CASE NARRATIVE CONCERNING REFNO 1053 WAS PASSED TO LAO VICE FOREIGN MINISTER SOUBANH DURING HIS 12 JUNE 88 VISIT TO JCRC.

29 August 1988

A NEGOTIATION FOLDER PERTAINING TO ALL PARTIES WAS PASSED DURING THE 22 - 23 AUGUST 88 JCRC/LAO CONSULTATIVE MEETING IN LAOS.

15 February 1989

A NEGOTIATION FOLDER PERTAINING TO THIS CASE WAS PASSED DURING THE 26 - 28 JANUARY 1989 JCRC/LAO CONSULTATIVE MEETING IN VIENTIANE.

24 September 1990

DURING THE 24-28 OCTOBER 1988 LAO VISIT TO THE JCRC, THE FOLLOWING CASES WERE PASSED: 1053.

25 September 1990

DURING THE 3-11 MAY 88 RECOVERY OPERATION OF REFNO 0276, LTC HARVEY PASSED MAPS AND DESCRIPTIVE DETAILS OF THE FOLLOWING CASES: REFNO 1053. (REF 3)

15 May 1991

(TALKING POINT) THIS CASE WAS DISCUSSED WITH LAO GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS DURING THE 4 MAY 1991 CONSULTATIVE MEETING IN VIENTIANE.

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=== ASSOCIATED INDIVIDUALS ===

23 January 1976

ASSOCIATED INDIVIDUALS: NAME 1053-0-01, JAMES C. KRAVITZ
1053-0-02, JAMES C. WONN 1053-0-03, CURTIS F. THURMAN 1053-0-04, FRANK A.
DAWSON 1053-0-05, CLAYBURN W. ASHBY 1053-0-06, CHESTER L. COONS 1053-0-07,
JAMES E. MARTIN 1053-0-08, AND PAUL N. DONATO 1053-0-09.

=== MAJOR COORDINATE CHANGE ===

1 January 1976

CHANGE INCIDENT LOCATION FROM XD 047 612 TO XD 030 612 BASED ON ONI
531A RPT.

23 April 1992

CHANGE INCIDENT LOCATION FROM OLD UTM FROM 48QXD030612 TO 48QXD030608,
PROVINCE AND DISTRICT REMAIN SAVANNEKHET/XEPON. (REF 4)

3 February 1993

CHANGE INCIDENT LOCATION FROM XD030608 TO XD016616 BASED ON LOCATIONAL
DATA FROM JOINT FIELD ACTIVITY RECOVERY OPERATIONS IN JUNE, NOVEMBER, AND
DECEMBER 1992. (REF 7)

=== JOINT INVESTIGATION, SURVEY OR EXCAVATION ===

23 April 1992

ON 21 FEB 92 A JOINT U.S.-LAO TEAM SURVEYED A CRASH SITE BELIEVED TO
BE THAT OF CASE 1053, IN THE VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATES XD030608. THE
LOCATION AND MATERIAL EVIDENCE FOUND AT THE SITE CORRELATES WELL WITH CASE
1053. NUMEROUS PIECES OF FLIGHT SUITS(S), SURVIVAL VEST(S), AND SURVIVAL
EQUIPMENT WERE RECOVERED FROM THE SITE. (REF 4)

31 July 1992

FROM 26 MAY TO 13 JUNE 1992, A JOINT U.S./LAO TEAM PARTIALLY EXCAVATED
THE CRASH SITE ATTRIBUTED TO CASE 1053. ONLY ONE-THIRD OF THE SITE WAS
EXCAVATED DUE TO POOR WEATHER CONDITIONS. SEVERAL SMALL PIECES OF HUMAN
REMAINS WERE RECOVERED FROM THE SITE (INSUFFICIENT TO PROVIDE
IDENTIFICATION). CONTINUED EXCAVATION IS RECOMMENDED. (REF 5)

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17 December 1992

FROM 24 OCTOBER THRU 17 NOVEMBER 1992, JOINT RECOVERY OPERATIONS
CONTINUED AT THE SITE. DURING THIS OPERATION THE TEAM RECOVERED TENS OF
THOUSANDS OF PIECES OF WRECKAGE, 368 BONE FRAGMENTS, 3 CRANIAL BONE
FRAGMENTS, FOUR TEETH, TEN PORTIONS OF TEETH, DENTAL RESTORATIONS AND
NUMEROUS PERSONAL EFFECTS. THE SITE WAS NOT COMPLETED AND IT IS
RECOMMENDED FOR ADDITIONAL RECOVERY (2-3 WEEKS) PRIOR TO THE NEXT RAINY
SEASON. (REF 6)

11 February 1993

FROM 24 OCTOBER THRU 17 NOVEMBER 1992, A JOINT TEAM CONTINUED THE
EXCAVATION OF THE CRASH SITE ASSOCIATED WITH REFNO 1053. DURING THIS
OPERATION, THE TEAM RECOVERED TENS OF THOUSANDS OF PIECES OF WRECKAGE, 382
BONE FRAGMENTS, EIGHT TEETH, INCLUDING ONE PREMOLAR, THREE MOLARS, AND
FOUR OTHERS. ALSO THREE TOOTH CROWNS WERE FOUND, AS WELL AS ONE DENTAL
BRIDGE. DOZENS OF PIECES OF PERSONAL EFFECTS WERE ALSO RECOVERED. THE
RECOVERY OF THIS SITE COULD NOT BE COMPLETED DUE TO THE LARGE AREA
INVOLVED, AS WELL AS TIME AND PERSONNEL CONSTRAINTS. CONTINUED RECOVERY
WAS RECOMMENDED FOR THE SITE. (REF 8)

FROM 4 TO 16 DECEMBER 1992, A JOINT TEAM CONTINUED THE EXCAVATION OF
THE CRASH SITE ASSOCIATED WITH REFNO 1053. DURING THIS OPERATION, THE
TEAM RECOVERED THOUSANDS OF PIECES OF WRECKAGE, THREE BONE FRAGMENTS, AND
NUMEROUS PIECES OF PIECES OF PERSONAL EFFECTS. THE RECOVERY OF THIS SITE
COULD NOT BE COMPLETED DUE TO THE EXTENSIVE SCATTERING OF WRECKAGE.
CONTINUED RECOVERY OF THE SITE WAS RECOMMENDED. (REF 9)

13 May 1993

FROM 6 TO 19 MARCH 1993, A JOINT U.S./LAO RECOVERY TEAM CONTINUED THE
EXCAVATION OF THE CRASH SITE ASSOCIATED WITH THIS CASE AT GRID COORDINATE
XD010616, BAN HOU EI KHE VILLAGE, XEPON DISTRICT, SAVANNAKHET PROVINCE.
THIS FOURTH RECOVERY OPERATION YIELDED THOUSANDS OF PIECES OF WRECKAGE AND
HUMAN REMAINS, WHICH INCLUDED TWO RESTORED MOLARS AND FOUR BONE FRAGMENTS.
I.D. MEDIA RECOVERED CONSISTED OF A CALIFORNIA DRIVER'S LICENSE
(ILLEGIBLE), CREDIT UNION MEMBERSHIP (THURMAN) AND A SEARS DEPARTMENT
STORE CREDIT CARD (THURMAN). PERSONAL EFFECTS FOUND INCLUDED AN I.D.
BRACELET (CRUZ) AND FOUR MEDALLIONS. THE ENTIRE AREA WAS EXCAVATED, ALL
RECOVERABLE REMAINS WERE RECOVERED, AND THE SITE WAS CLOSED. (REF 10)

=== REPATRIATION ACTIONS OR STATUS CHANGES ===

6 January 1994

DURING FOUR JOINT RECOVERY OPERATIONS IN LAOS, 26 MAY - 13 JUNE 92, 24 OCT

CASE: 1053

- 17 NOV 92, 4-16 DEC 92, AND 6-19 MAR 93, JOINT TEAMS RECOVERED REMAINS FROM THE ALLEGED CRASH SITE OF REFNO 1053. ON 01 DECEMBER 1993, THE ARMED FORCES IDENTIFICATION REVIEW BOARD APPROVED THE IDENTIFICATION OF THE GROUP REMAINS AS NAME LT JAMES S. KRAVITZ, ENS JAMES C. WONN, LT CURTIS F. THURMAN, ADJ3 FRANK A. DAWSON, A02 CLAYBORN W. ASHBY, JR., ADJ2 CHESTER L. COONS, AE2 JAMES E. MARTIN, AND ATN1 PAUL N. DONATO, REFNOs 1053-01 THRU 09. (REF 11)

JOINT TASK FORCE - FULL ACCOUNTING
BIOGRAPHIC/SITE REPORT AS OF 20 OCTOBER 1993

===== BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION =====

REFNO: 1057-0-01 (ACCNO 6267)	Status: (J) DEAD BODY NOT RECOVERED	
Name: HUBLER, GEORGE LAWRENCE	Date Status assigned: 24 Jul 1973	
Nationality AMERICAN	Race CAUCASIAN	Blood Chit
Service MARINE CORPS	Sex MALE	Blood type
Grade O3	Hair BROWN	Complexion
SSAN DATA	Eyes BLUE	Weapon
Serial No 091625	Height 74 in / 1.88 mtrs	Weapon No
Birth date 6 Sep 1942	Weight 168 lb / 76.1 kg	Duty pos PILOT
Home State	Religion	PW Camp

===== SITE INFORMATION =====

INCIDENT LOCATION (0)

Site Type: WATER SITE
UTM: 49PBT190690
Lat/Long: 155909N / 1082227E
Country: OVER WATER - VS
Military Region: \$
Mission Province: QUANG NAM-DA NANG
(formerly):
Mission District: HOA VANG
Mission Date: 23 Feb 1968
Mission Category: 3
Local Analysis: None.

===== JTF-FA ACTIVITY SUMMARY =====

Folders Passed: Jul 93, Dec 92, Jul 92
Investigations: Aug 93
Surveys: Aug 93
Vessey Case: NO

===== VEHICLE DATA =====

Vehicle Type: F8E	Serial: 150857
Crash Type: None	Engine Type: J57
Call Sign: COMBAT 23	1 Serial:
Year: \$	2 Serial:

===== SPECIAL CHARACTER KEY =====

= Item has been researched but data cannot be obtained.
\$ = Item is not applicable to this case.
@ or Blank = Data for item is unknown or not available.